

# The Evening Star

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WASHINGTON, D. C., MONDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 20, 1890.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

## LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia, Maryland and Delaware, indicating comparatively light winds, fair weather and slightly cooler, with frosts tonight.

## Full Dress Suits

WITH the advent of social festivities will come the question of a FULL DRESS suit. Is it not well to be provided before-hand? B. ROBINSON & CO. have a full assortment of them in all sizes and shapes, either in full suits or each garment separately.

Coats, Vests and Trousers in fine and medium grades, cut in the height of fashion, trimmed in strictly first-class manner, thoroughly tailored and faultless in fit.

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### AMERICAN OUTFITTERS,

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## BLACKS ATTACK A WHITE MAN.

### When Assistance Reached Him a Fatal Wound.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Oct. 20.—On Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock, a white man was walking down one of the streets of Winston when he was attacked by a mob of negroes.

He ran into a barroom and appealed for protection. A few whites who were in the place ran into the street and soon a lively fight ensued, which resulted in the death of Riggs. Several others were badly wounded. James Scales is supposed to have killed Riggs and a posse are searching for him.

### At the District Building.

Commissioner Ross is having the evidence in the case of Officer Block briefed for his examination. The Commissioners will probably approve of the finding of the trial board—no fault.

The Commissioners with the assistance of Dr. Tisdell are now busily engaged in preparing estimates for the next fiscal year. They will be completed in the latter part of the week.

### Chicago Will Not Like It.

BRANDIS, Pa., Oct. 20.—At the session today of the Western Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States a petition protesting against the opening of the proposed World's Fair at Chicago on Sunday, and asking all members of the synod to assist in preserving the sanctity of the Sabbath, was signed.

### Mexico Food Men Burned Out.

PLATEAU, N. Y., Oct. 20.—The food men of the city were entirely consumed this morning by fire. It was occupied by F. Bullis, manufacturer of Mexico food, as a place of residence. The loss will reach nearly \$2,000.

### Books for Army Officers.

The Treasury Department has informed the Secretary of War, in reply to an inquiry from him, that there is no provision in the law authorizing the issuance free of duty of books for officers of the Army.

### Jeru Dunn is All Right.

NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—An evening paper says that the report of the death of Jeru Dunn, the well-known sporting man, in a small town near El Paso, Texas, has no foundation in fact. Jeru Dunn was in town Saturday night in good health.

### Merchants' Protective Union.

The Merchants' Protective Union, which was recently organized, and which has for its object the protection of merchants, members of the association who give credit to others, state that with every prospect of success. The officers are J. B. Brown, manager, and Samuel Maddox, attorney, and it is offices are situated at 1200 Fortieth street and Room 15, Central Bank building. The entire plan of the union is outlined in our advertising columns.

### Do you want to make money?

If so, buy lots of Wesley Hightale. For full information see second page and John F. Wagner, corner Fortieth and G streets N. W.

## MAFIA'S OBJECT

### THE ORDER WHICH ASSASSINATED CHIEF HENNESSEY.

### BLACKMAIL AND MURDER ITS AIMS

### The Brave Chief Knew Too Many of the Bandits' Secrets.

### ITALIAN MERCHANTS WERE TERRORIZED.

### Under Threats of Death They Were Compelled to Pay Blood Money to the Murderous Scoundrels.

### NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 20.—The Mafia, the secret Italian association to whose mandate the murder of Superintendent Hennessey is generally ascribed, has been known to exist in this city for many years.

Hennessey is its first American victim. Its operations heretofore have been confined exclusively to the Italian colony. Murder with it has been merely a means by which members of the society have been able to levy blackmail.

Nearly every prominent Italian merchant in the city has been compelled from time to time to pay money to these scoundrels under fear of assassination if they refused. They suffered in silence, because they feared that any attempt at exposure would bring down upon them the vengeance of the Mafia.

It was not until the attempt last spring on the life of Superintendent Hennessey that the Mafia organization came out of the way that anything like a true exposition of the methods and operations of the society became known. Some of the Italian merchants who had been subjected to constant demands from the Mafia saw in this foul an opportunity to escape from the thrall of the Mafia in which they were held. They subscribed large sums for the prosecution of the Mafia for the murder of Hennessey, which in the particulars of lying in wait and the deadly volley furnished a close parallel to the more successful attempt upon the life of Superintendent Hennessey.

### DRIVEN TO DESPERATION.

The Provenzano and his friends, six in number, were tried and found guilty, but they have secured a new trial. One of the singular features of the trial was the evidence furnished by the defense, that the Provenzano himself had been pursued for years by the Mafia. For the first time in this city, and then only because the men were on trial for their lives and the evidence was expected to produce a sentiment in their favor, was a document emanating from the Mafia given to the public.

The Provenzano had received many of these demands upon their purses, some of which were presented to the jury. The New York Herald correspondent here sent to his paper last night a few of the letters, the first of the series being the following:

### NEW ORLEANS, September, 1890.

We beg of you to bring us \$1,000 to the Old Lake at the right hand side, where you will find a small boat. Let the party who brings us the money, who is chief of his bat. In this way we will kill him. You have three days in which to bring it. If within that time you have not brought the money at our first opportunity we will murder you and your brother.

### IN BLOOD RED INK.

A second letter written in blood red ink was as follows:

300 N. O. M. Den. K. O. T. O.—We mean business. We are 300 strong, of the K. O. T. O. If these fellows who sent you warning don't treat you better, we will bring them down to the old Lake and we will kill them. You have three days in which to bring it. If within that time you have not brought the money at our first opportunity we will murder you and your brother.

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### Justice Administered Irrespective of Race, Creed, or Previous Condition.

### THE LATTER INSURES A HEAVIER FINE.

### Sample Scenes from the Drama Daily Enacted in the Police Court—Who the Characters Are.

### That the cold weather is approaching is very evident from the fact that there was a perceptible falling off in the number of arrests made on Saturday and Sunday nights. There were to-day only forty-six victims in the dock, twenty-two at the Sixth Precinct and twenty-four at the First Precinct. The average has been much higher than this every Sunday for the past six months.

### FINED FOR PROPRIETY.

William McGrath and Maurice Causen were charged with using profane and obscene language on the street, near the Baltimore and Ohio Depot. The principal witness against them was Officer Fenton. The men both declared that they had not been drinking anything, and that they never used oaths or indecent language under any circumstances. Judge Miller said he thought differently, and made the fine \$5 each.

### GOOD APPETITE FOR CHEESE.

Reuben Foster, James Beacham and Willis Banks, who are accused of stealing and eating a bushel of chestnuts, and which Harper at the Sixth Precinct this morning. "Are you guilty or not guilty?"

"Not guilty," answered the boys. The complainant was Alonzo Eaton of Harrison. He said he did not care to have the boys prosecuted, but he only wanted them to keep off of his place.

"What makes you think these boys got away with a bushel of chestnuts?" asked Judge Miller.

"Oh, I only guessed at it," answered the boys. "You must have done so. I was circulating around on my farm yesterday and could only find three chestnuts, for the boys have whittled the trees completely clean."

The boys were all placed to keep away from Mr. Eaton's place and dismissed.